REMARKS

This application has been reviewed in light of the non-final Office Action mailed on July 12, 2010. Claims 1-15 are pending in the present application with Claims 1 and 12 being in independent form. By the present amendment, Claims 1 and 12-14 have been amended to better clarify Applicant's claimed subject matter. Also, it is noted that the claims have been amended for non-statutory reasons: to correct one or more informalities, remove figure label number(s), and/or to replace European-style claim phraseology with American-style claim language. No new matter is added.

Claims 1-6, 8-12, and 14-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Liew et al. (U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0167337) in view of Moriyama et al. (U.S. Patent Publication No. 2004/0198430). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 1, as amended herein, recites, inter alia, as follows:

"...by allocating at least part of the storage means for local access by the local storage means..." (Emphasis added.)

Neither Liew, nor Moriyama, taken alone or in any proper combination, teach and/or suggest at least the added feature(s) of amended independent Claim 1.

It is respectfully submitted that Liew and Moriyama fail to disclose and/or suggest at least "...by allocating at least part of the storage means for local access by the local storage means," as recited in amended independent Claim 1.

As best understood by Applicant, Liew is directed to a multimedia Internet-protocol (IP) data delivery system that uses a virtual streaming method. The system comprises a plurality of clients, each of which comprises a downloading unit, a media data cache and a playing unit, a plurality of IP ports connecting the clients to the Internet, an IP port controlling means controlling

the connection between the client and the IP-port and a scheduling means scheduling the downloading tasks of the downloading unit. (Abstract)

As best understood by Applicant, Moriyama is directed to communication between a display device and a processing apparatus (host), where two connection modes are prepared, a wired connection mode, for communication along a wired connection path, and a wireless connection mode, for communication along a wireless connection path. Before entering the wireless connection mode, the processing apparatus (host) transmits, along the wired connection path to the display device, data required for the wireless connection of the display device along the wireless connection path. (Abstract)

At paragraph [0014] of Applicant's published application (2008/0151130), it is stated that:

"Hence, by allocating a part or the entire storage area of the internal storage means for local access within the rendering device, the limitations of the prior art are overcome. Moreover, such smart synchronization strategy enhances the user experience by a high quality of the played-back video in combination with extended battery life, as energy consumption is reduced and disturbances of wireless communications are avoided. Therefore, the user does no longer have to rely on the bandwidth and quality of the wireless link, when the screen is detached from the stand. This also saves precious bandwidth for other devices." (Emphasis added.)

As recited in the Claims, data is allocated between at least two storage areas, one of them being a local storage area within the portable device. By allocating data between at least two storage devices, power consumption may be reduced and power savings may be realized.

Thus, the applied combination of Liew and Moriyama does not teach and/or suggest at least the feature(s) added to amended independent Claim 1, since neither refers to allocating data between storage units.

It is respectfully submitted that independent Claim 12 has been amended to recite similar limitations as those of independent Claim 1. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection under 35

U.S.C. §103(a) with respect to Claims 1 and 12, and allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

Claims 2-6, 8-11, and 14-15 depend from one of independent Claims 1 and 12, and therefore include the claim limitations of independent Claims 1 and 12. Further, dependent Claims 2-6, 8-11, and 14-15 recite additional patentable features. Accordingly, for at least the same reasons given above for the allowance of Claims 1 and 12, the withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) with respect to dependent Claims 2-6, 8-11, and 14-15, and allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

Claims 7 and 13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Liew in view of Moriyama and further in view of Matthews et al. (U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0109665). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claims 7 and 13 depend from one of independent Claims 1 and 12, and therefore include the claim limitations of independent Claims 1 and 12. Further, dependent Claims 7 and 13 recite additional patentable features. Accordingly, for at least the same reasons given above for the allowance of Claims 1 and 12, the withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) with respect to dependent Claims 7 and 13, and allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 4-6, 8-12, and 14 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Wong et al. (U.S. Patent No. 7,739,597) in view of Liew. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 1, as amended herein, recites, inter alia, as follows:

"...by allocating at least part of the storage means for local access by the local storage means..." (emphasis added)

Neither Wong, nor Liew, taken alone or in any proper combination, teach and/or suggest at least the added feature(s) of amended independent Claim 1.

It is respectfully submitted that Wong and Liew fail to disclose and/or suggest at least "... by allocating at least part of the storage means for local access by the local storage means," as recited in amended independent Claim 1.

As best understood by Applicant's, Wong is directed to a system and method that facilitates remote browsing, viewing, and manipulating any suitable number of media items from a host location. In particular, the system involves pulling desired media items from one or more host locations to view and/or edit them on a remote interactive media display, thereby freeing up use of the host location/computer. The media items sent to the remote interactive media display via wireless or wired connection are easily edited, organized, and viewed in any suitable order, arrangement, and timed-cycle with respect to per item viewing as well as viewing of items coincident with a real time calendar. (Abstract)

At paragraph [0014] of Applicant's published application (2008/0151130), it is stated that:

"Hence, by allocating a part or the entire storage area of the internal storage means for local access within the rendering device, the limitations of the prior art are overcome. Moreover, such smart synchronization strategy enhances the user experience by a high quality of the played-back video in combination with extended battery life, as energy consumption is reduced and disturbances of wireless communications are avoided. Therefore, the user does no longer have to rely on the bandwidth and quality of the wireless link, when the screen is detached from the stand. This also saves precious bandwidth for other devices." (Emphasis added.)

As recited in the Claims, data is allocated between at least two storage areas, one of them being a local storage area within the portable device. By allocating data between at least two storage devices, power consumption may be reduced and power savings may be realized.

Thus, the applied combination of Wong and Liew does not teach and/or suggest at least the feature(s) added to amended independent Claim 1.

It is respectfully submitted that independent Claim 12 has been amended to recite similar

limitations as those of independent Claim 1. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) with respect to Claims 1 and 12, and allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

Claims 4-6, 8-11, and 14 depend from one of independent Claims 1 and 12, and therefore include the claim limitations of independent Claims 1 and 12. Further, dependent Claims 4-6, 8-11, and 14 recite additional patentable features. Accordingly, for at least the same reasons given above for the allowance of Claims 1 and 12, the withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) with respect to dependent Claims 4-6, 8-11, and 14, and allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

Claims 2-3, 12, and 14-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Wong in view of Liew and further in view of Moriyama. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claims 2-3, 12, and 14-15 depend from one of independent Claims 1 and 12, and therefore include the claim limitations of independent Claims 1 and 12. Further, dependent Claims 2-3, 12, and 14-15 recite additional patentable features. Accordingly, for at least the same reasons given above for the allowance of Claims 1 and 12, the withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) with respect to dependent Claims 2-3, 12, and 14-15, and allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

Claim 7 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Wong in view of Liew and further in view of Matthews. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 7 depends from independent Claim 1, and therefore includes the claim limitations of independent Claim 1. Further, dependent Claim 7 recites additional patentable features. Accordingly, for at least the same reasons given above for the allowance of Claim 1, the withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) with respect to dependent Claim 7, and allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

Claim 13 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Wong in view of Liew and Moriyama and further in view of Matthews. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 13 depends from independent Claim 12, and therefore includes the claim limitations of independent Claim 12. Further, dependent Claim 13 recites additional patentable features. Accordingly, for at least the same reasons given above for the allowance of Claim 12, the withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) with respect to dependent Claim 13, and allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all the claims pending in this patent application are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance of all the claims are respectfully solicited.

If, however, the Examiner believes that there are any unresolved issues requiring adverse final action in any of the claims now pending in the application, it is requested that the Examiner contact the Applicant's attorney, so that a mutually convenient date and time for a telephonic interview may be scheduled for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

In the event there are any errors with respect to the fees for this response or any other papers related to this response, the Director is hereby given permission to charge any shortages and credit any overcharges of any fees required for this submission to Deposit Account No. 14-1270.

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